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SUBJECT: US/HAITI BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

1. HAITIAN TEXTILE INDUSTRY HAS STILL NOT GIVEN UP ON HOPES OF DELAYING OR MODIFYING PROPOSED TEXTILE AGREEMENT. FRIDAY MORNING INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES CALLED ON NATIONAL BANK PRESIDENT ANTONIO ANDRE AND, USING SAME EXAGGERATIONS AND MISREPRESENTATIONS AS THEY EMPLOYED ON DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE EARLIER, TRIED TO PERSUADE ANDRE TO GO DIRECTLY TO PRESIDENT AND ENDEAVOR STOP SIGNATURE OF AGREEMENT. LUCKILY EMBASSY WAS ABLE TO SQUELCH THIS IMMEDIATELY BY PROVIDING FACTS TO ANDRE.

2. SECOND MOVE CONSISTS OF A LETTER TO ME FROM FOURCAND PROVIDING A LIST OF 29 ARTICLES WHICH GOH DEPT. OF COMMERCE CONSIDERS AS FALLING INTO THE CATEGORY OF HANDICRAFT ITEMS, ASKING FOR A DECISION FROM DEPT. OF COMMERCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, BUT MAKING NO MENTION OF DATE FOR SIGNING OF AGREEMENT. I IMMEDIATELY RESPONDED TO FOURCAND, INFORMING HIM LIST WILL BE SENT TO WASHINGTON AS REQUESTED, SUGGESTING THAT SAMPLES BE PROVIDED FOR ANY PRODUCTS WHICH LIPSCOMB DID NOT SEE, STATING THAT OF COURSE FOURCAND REALIZED THAT THE SIGNATURE OF THE AGREEMENT COULD NOT BE DELAYED WHILE NEGOTIATION IS UNDERTAKEN ON LIST OF HANDICRAFT ITEMS, AND AGAIN REQUESTING AN EARLY DATE FOR

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EXCHANGE OF NOTES.

3. UNLESS FOURCAND PROVIDES DATE TODAY, I PLAN BRING UP SUBJECT WHEN I SEE PRESIDENT NOVEMBER 20.

4. FOLLOWING PRODUCTS WERE LISTED IN FOURCAND LETTER: EMBROIDERY DONE BY HAND, HAND PREPARED NEEDLEPOINT; HAND CROCHETED BABY CLOTHES; HAND-MADE WALL HANGINGS OR TAPESTRIES; PATCHES OF LINEN ASSEMBLED AND SEWED BY MACHINE; PATCHES ATTACHED TO CLOTH ARRIVING FROM THE US; PICTURES MADE BY HAND BY EMBROIDERING ON LINEN OR SAIL CLOTH; TABLECLOTHS RECEIVED ON WHICH HAND EMBROIDERY IS PLACED; EMBROIDERED HAND-MADE HANDBAGS; CLOTH SENT TO BE HAND EMBROIDERED; ALL PIECES OF CLOTH ON WHICH HAND-MADE OBJECTS ARE ATTACHED; CUSHIONS AND BALLS MADE BY HAND OF COTTON OR OF SYNTHETIC FIBERS; BELTS PREPARED BY HAND ON IMPORTED CANVAS; ALL OTHER ARTICLES PREPARED ON CANVAS BUT MADE BY HAND; WALL HANGINGS MADE BY HAND ON IMPORTED CANVAS; TABLECLOTHS EMBROIDERED BY MACHINE; CUT-OUT WORK OF WOOL FABRIC; CUT-OUT WORK OF SILK; PLAQUES EMBROIDERED BY HAND; CALENDARS EMBROIDERED AND MADE BY HAND; TOYS AND DOLLS EMBROIDERED AND MADE BY HAND; TABLECLOTHS AND NAPKINS EMBROIDERED AND MADE BY HAND; CASES FOR GLASSES AND TENNIS RACKETS EMBROIDERED AND MADE BY HAND; VARIOUS ORNAMENTS EMBROIDERED AND MADE BY HAND; COASTERS FOR DISHES AND GLASSES EMBROIDERED AND MADE BY HAND; HAND-MADE EMBROIDERED COSTUME JEWELRY; HAND-MADE EMBROIDERED FRAMES FOR MIRRORS; HAND-MADE EMBROIDERED BEDSPREADS; CLOTH, SPREADS, TAPESTRIES; PILLOWS, CURTAINS, THREADS TWISTED BY HAND, MADE OF SKEINS.

5. SOME ARTICLES ON LIST APPARENTLY COME FROM MORTON KARTEN, WHO PLANNED DELIVER SAMPLES TO LIPSCOMB IN WASHINGTON THIS WEEK. DESCRIPTIONS OF SOME OTHER ARTICLES DO NOT APPEAR TO MAKE SENSE, BUT EMBASSY WILL CHECK OUT WITH HAITIAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE THIS WEEK.
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